

## **KRS Tax & Fiduciary Counsel Questions**

1. Does the Kentucky Retirement System anticipate selecting more than one outside counsel firm for these services?

***While KRS cannot respond that it “anticipates” selecting more than one outside counsel firm to render services on a particular RFP, it is not prohibited from doing so and thus cannot rule out that a scenario could arise where more than one firm is selected to provide services under a particular RFP.***

2. Can you name the outside counsel firm(s) who currently provide these services to the Kentucky Retirement Systems?

***Investment Counsel – Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren***

***Tax & Fiduciary – Ice Miller, LLC***

***General Representation – Stoll Keenon Ogden, PLLC***

***Health Insurance– Polsinelli Shughart, LLP***

3. The RFP seeks legal services for tax/pension plan administration issues and fiduciary law issues. Although, the RFP states a law firm must be willing and able to provide all the services outlined in the relevant “Scope of Services” section, may a firm respond to the RFP and only offer to provide the Kentucky Retirement Systems tax and pension administration related legal services or legal services related to fiduciary law services and have their proposal accepted and considered?

***No***

4. The RFP references that proposals will be accepted and considered from any attorney or law firm that meets the minimum qualifications and later in the RFP references minimum qualifications set forth in Part IV of the RFP. Please confirm that beyond responding to the questions in Part IV there are no additional minimum qualifications required by this process.

***KRS cannot confirm your understanding. Candidates must meet all qualifications contained in the RFP, including but not limited to, the ability to provide all the services outlined in the relevant Scope of Services and providing the information set forth in Section IV.***

5. We note that the Kentucky Retirement Systems has issued three other RFPs seeking outside legal services (e.g., General Legal Services RFP, Investment Legal Counsel and Securities Litigation Evaluation Counsel RFP and Health Insurance Legal Services RFP all due on November 7, 2016). If a firm is interested in responding to more than one of the RFPs is the firm required to submit separate proposals for each RFP, or may a firm submit one omnibus proposal addressing the requirements of the scope of services detailed in each RFP and provide one set of information as required by Part IV?

***Separate responses must be submitted to each RFP.***

### **KRS General Legal Representation Questions**

1. Does the Kentucky Retirement System anticipate selecting more than one outside counsel firm for these services?

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2. Can you name the outside counsel firm(s) who currently provide these services to the Kentucky Retirement Systems.

***Investment Counsel – Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren***

***Tax & Fiduciary – Ice Miller, LLC***

***General Representation – Stoll Keenon Ogden, PLLC***

***Health Insurance– Polsinelli Shughart, LLP***

3. Under the Part II the Scope of Services the RFP state that counsel shall “[r]epresent KRS in federal or state litigation or in administrative hearings whenever KRS determines that it would be in its best interest for the Provider to represent it.” Does the representation contemplated by this RFP include securities litigation?

***No.***

4. The RFP references that proposals will be accepted and considered from any attorney or law firm that meets the minimum qualifications and later in the RFP references minimum qualifications set forth in Part IV of the RFP. Please confirm that beyond responding to the questions in Part IV there are no additional minimum qualifications required by this process.

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submit separate proposals for each RFP, or may a firm submit one omnibus proposal addressing the requirements of the scope of services detailed in each RFP and provide one set of information as required by Part IV?

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**KRS Investment legal Counsel & Securities Litigation Evaluation Counsel Questions**

1. Does the Kentucky Retirement System anticipate selecting more than one outside counsel firm for these services?

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2. Can you name the outside counsel firm(s) who currently provide these services to the Kentucky Retirement Systems.

***Investment Counsel – Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren***

***Tax & Fiduciary – Ice Miller, LLC***

***General Representation – Stoll Keenon Ogden, PLLC***

***Health Insurance– Polsinelli Shughart, LLP***

3. The RFP seeks legal services for investment related matters and securities litigation evaluations. Although, the RFP states a law firm must be willing and able to provide all the services outlined in the relevant “Scope of Services” section, may a firm respond to the RFP and only offer to provide the Kentucky Retirement Systems investment related legal services or securities litigation evaluation services and have their proposal accepted and considered?

***No***

4. The RFP references that proposals will be accepted and considered from any attorney or law firm that meets the minimum qualifications and later in the RFP references minimum qualifications set forth in Part IV of the RFP. Please confirm that beyond responding to the questions in Part IV there are no additional minimum qualifications required by this process.

***KRS cannot confirm your understanding. Candidates must meet all qualifications contained in the RFP, including but not limited to, the ability to provide all the services outlined in the relevant Scope of Services and providing the information set forth in Section IV.***

5. We note that the Kentucky Retirement Systems has issued three other RFPs seeking outside legal services (e.g., General Legal Services RFP, Tax and Fiduciary Legal Services RFP and Health Insurance Legal Services RFP all due on November 7, 2016). If a firm is interested in responding to more than one of the RFPs is the firm required to submit separate proposals for each RFP, or may a firm submit one omnibus proposal addressing the requirements of the scope of services detailed in each RFP and provide one set of information as required by Part IV?

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